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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A cup package made of a fibre-based material, comprising:

a cup (1) containing a packaged product (2); and

a lid (6) closing a mouth of the cup, wherein

the cup and the lid are made from polymer-coated board,

the cup (1) comprises a mantle (3) bent sharply downward at the mouth (4) of the cup to form a collar (5) diverging from the mantle,

the lid (6) has a downwardly oriented rim (8), at which the lid is fixed to the collar by heat sealing,

the mantle (3) of the cup (1) is enlarged conically upwardly,

the cup collar (5) is enlarged conically downwardly, and

the lid rim (8) is enlarged conically downwardly.

2-3. (Cancelled)

- 4. (Previously presented) The cup package as defined in claim 1, wherein an inner surface of the cup mantle (3) and an outer surface of the collar (5) are polymer coated.
- 5. (Previously presented) The cup package as defined in claim 1, wherein an inner surface of the lid is polymer-coated.

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6. (Previously presented) The cup package as defined in claim 4, wherein the polymer

coated board (15) includes an inner oxygen barrier layer (16) and an outer heat-sealing layer

(17).

7. (Previously presented) The cup package as defined in claim 1, wherein the lid (6)

comprises, at its centre, a recess (14) defined by a conical surface (13) which is nested with the

cup (1) so that the friction and/or compression between the cup mantle (3) and the opposite

conical surfaces of the lid recess retain the lid in position in a reclosed package.

8. (Previously presented) The cup package as defined in claim 1, wherein a recess (14) is

formed at the centre of the lid (6) for receiving a bottom of another cup package.

9. (Previously presented) The cup package as defined in claim 1, wherein an annular tear

strip (11, 19) surrounding the lid is provided in the area of the rim (8) of the lid (6) for opening

the package.

10. (Previously presented) The cup package as defined in claim 9, wherein the tear strip is an

annular stripe (11) defined by two aligned lines of perforations, the stripe being detached when

torn.

11. (Previously presented) The cup package as defined in claim 9, wherein the tear strip is an

annular stripe (11') defined between a perforation line (10) and the lid rim, the lid (6) being

peelably sealed in the collar (5) of the cup in the area of the stripe and detachable when torn.

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12. (Previously presented) The cup package as defined in claim 10 or 11, wherein the perforations in the line (10) penetrate through the board layer (15) of the lid (6), while leaving the subjacent polymer coating (16, 17) intact.

- 13. (Previously presented) The cup package as defined in claim 1, wherein the package contains a foodstuff, such as a drink, a dessert or sweets.
- 14. (New) The cup package as defined in claim 9, wherein the tear strip (19) consists of a separate band embedded between the material layers forming the cup collar (5) and the lid rim (8).